allocated to North Carolina communities that have been declared major disasters.

## **IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY**

The Town will continue to enforce existing ordinances and take measures as necessary to enhance storm hazard mitigation efforts including support of the <u>Dare County Emergency Management</u> Plan.

The Town will identify supplemental emergency powers that State statutes allow and seek the necessary authorization from the state to exercise same.

The Town will implement, as necessary, its <u>Storm</u> <u>Hazard Mitigation Post Disaster Reconstruction</u> Plan.

## 3. **Post-disaster Recovery**

## **BACKGROUND**

Clearly defined post-disaster recovery procedures will permit Kill Devil Hills to deal with the aftermath of a storm in an organized and efficient manner.

Post-disaster recovery encompasses three distinct reconstruction periods. The emergency period is the reconstruction phase immediately after a storm. The emphasis is on restoring public health and safety, assessing the nature and extent of storm damage and qualifying for and obtaining Federal and State assistance. The restoration period is the weeks and months following a storm disaster. The emphasis during this period is on restoring community facilities and utilities and essential business so the municipality can return to normal activities. The replacement period is the period during which the community is rebuilt. This period could last from months to years depending on the nature and extent of the damages incurred.

## **POLICY**

The Town supports the continued use of procedures currently in place and the implementation, as necessary, of its <u>Storm Hazard Mitigation and Post Disaster Reconstruction Plan</u>. It also supports the Dare County Emergency Management Plan.